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December 18, 2020

Thank you for subscribing to my weekly newsletter. Below you will find important federal, state and local updates from the last week curated for you in one place.

This week, Governor Abbot announced that the Capitol grounds have reopened to visitors, although the Capitol building remains closed. We are excited that the public will have more access as we continue to prepare for the upcoming legislative session.

Governor Abbot also announced this week that the COVID-19 vaccine has arrived in Texas, and has already begun the initial phases of distribution to front line workers.

Should you have any questions about the information below, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please utilize email communication with our office during this time, via the email contact information at the bottom of this newsletter.

Sincerely,

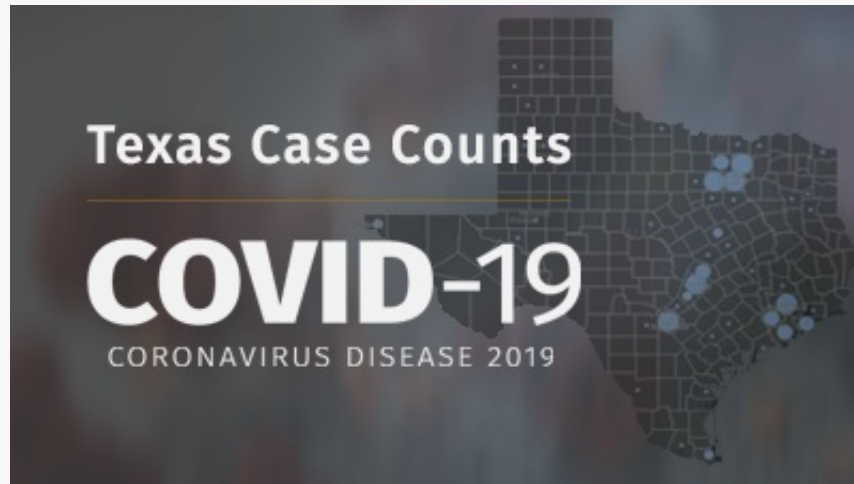


Capitol and District Office Closures

Christmas Holiday Office Closure

Both the Capitol Office in Austin and the District office in Kingwood will be closed for the Christmas holiday from Wednesday, December 23 through Monday, January 4th, 2021. Please allow 24 hours after our offices reopen to respond to all correspondence. Correspondence will be responded to in the order in which they were received.

State Updates



Governor Abbott Provides Update On COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution In Texas



Governor Abbott Provides Update On COVID-19 Vaccine...

Governor Greg Abbott today held a press conference where he provided an update on the statewide COVID-19 vaccine distribution at the UPS Distribution Center in Austin. The Governor was joined for the press conference by Texas Division of...

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Gov. Abbott, TEA Announce Free Supplemental Math Computer Program for Texas Schools, Families Through Texas Home Learning 3.0



Office of the Texas Governor | Greg Abbott

Governor Abbott, TEA Announce Free Access To...

Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas Education Agency (TEA) today announced that a supplemental K-5 math computer program will be made available to school systems through TEA's Texas Home Learning 3.0 (THL 3.0) initiative. Like other THL 3.0...

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COVID-19 Vaccine Arrives in Texas



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The first shipments of COVID-19 vaccine have been delivered in Texas. Four sites received 19,500 doses of the Pfizer vaccine Monday morning. An additional 19 sites will receive 75,075 doses on Tuesday. "Seeing the first doses of vaccine arrive in ...

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Temporary Waiver of Vehicle Title & Registration Requirements Ends April 14, 2021



If you're overdue, it's time to renew! The temporary waiver of certain vehicle title and registration requirements, announced by Governor Greg Abbott on March 16, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, will end at 11:59 p.m. on April 14, 2021.

If you have not renewed your expired vehicle registration, you should make plans to renew by that date. It is not necessary to wait until the deadline to complete any overdue transactions as motorists have several renewal options.

"I commend Governor Abbott for balancing the safety of Texans with the need to continue vital state services by offering the waivers to registration and titling requirements during the pandemic. Fortunately, many Texans are already in compliance with these requirements," said Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) Executive Director Whitney Brewster. "We continued to offer registration renewal and other important services throughout the waiver period."

Three ways to renew your vehicle registration:

1. Online: Visit www.TxDMV.gov or www.Texas.gov. This is the quickest and least expensive way to renew. Save \$1 if you renew online. Online renewal is available up to nine months past your registration expiration date.
2. Mail: Return the bottom portion of your registration renewal form, payment and other required information to your county tax assessor-collector.
3. In Person: Visit the office of your county tax assessor-collector. In many counties, in-person renewal is also available at other locations, such as certain grocery stores. Contact your county tax office to check hours and locations.

Reminder: Before renewing registration, Texans will need to obtain a passing vehicle inspection at the state vehicle inspection station of their choice, unless their vehicle is exempt from inspection requirements.

The expiring temporary waiver covers the following services:

- Initial vehicle registration.
- Vehicle registration renewal.
- Vehicle titling.
- Renewal of permanent disabled parking placards.
- 30-day temporary permits.

The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles does not issue driver licenses or state ID cards. Texans should contact the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) at www.dps.texas.gov/driverlicense/ for these services.

DPS Announces Temporary Waiver for DL/ID Expirations Ending in April 2021



TXDPS - December 15, 2020 DPS Announces Temporary Waiver ...

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) today announced that the waiver on expiration dates for driver licenses (DLs) and identification cards (IDs) ends on April 14, 2021. Customers who need to renew

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www.dps.texas.gov

Phishing Scam Asking Recipients to Validate Information Appears to Target TDLR Licensees



Phishing scam asking recipients to validate information...

An unknown number of people appear to have been targeted with an email that asks them to validate their profile information with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation...

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City of Houston & Harris County Updates

Harris County Public Health Dashboard



Harris County
Public Health
Building a Healthy Community

Be Well, Be Connected



CitizensNet

Be Well, Be Connected Be Well, Be Connected offers access to mental health care for youth ages 9-17. Eligible youth include students from five Houston area school districts as well as youth who are referred from the community. School-based...

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www.houstontx.gov

District 127 Updates

Nominations for the 2021 Distinguished Alumni Award Are Now Open.



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

Community Development / Distinguished Alumni

The purpose of the Distinguished Alumni Award is to honor deserving Humble Independent School District alumni who have excelled in their field, made significant contributions to their community, and served as a positive role model and leader.

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Quest Early College High School Renamed to Honor Former Superintendent Dr. Sconzo



Quest Early College High School renamed to honor former...

Quest Early College High School will become Guy M. Sconzo Early College High School, beginning in the fall semester, to honor the legacy of the retired Superintendent. Dr. Sconzo served as Humble ISD Superintendent from 2001 to 2016 and passed...

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